

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar flowers provided by Lane and Lisa Hooton
Next Sunday! December 8th. Southwest Region
Convocation with guest speaker Julia Ayala Harris,
President of the House of Deputies

If you are available to help with the Christmas Eve
Service, Please let us know

THE SERVICE LEADER

Rev. Stephanie Jenkins

LECTORS

8:00 Lessons – John Carter

10:15 Lessons – David Gabriele

10:15 Prayers & Psalm – Linda
Neal

USHERS

Jerry Wade

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Linda Neal

Verger

Tom Love

MUSICIANS

David Gabriele – Pianist

COUNTERS

Blake Dutcher

Carl Ryker

ALTAR GUILD

Harriet Lugo

Ruth Dutcher

TECHNOLOGY

Richard Ward

PLEDGE PAYMENTS & CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

Between November 17th – November 23rd · \$3,655

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 1ST 2024 – 8:00AM & 10:15AM

**OPENING HYMN: HARK, A THRILLING VOICE IS CALLING • BLUE
HYMNAL 59 ALL VERSES**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 33:14-16

¹⁴The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: “The Lord is our righteousness.”

Psalm 25:1-9 Red Book OF COMMON PRAYER • PAGE 614 AND 615

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

⁹How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36

[Jesus said:] ²⁵There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

²⁹Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

COMMUNION HYMN: O COME, O COME EMMANUEL • BLUE HYMNAL PAGE 56 VERSE 1,2, AND 3

CLOSING HYMN: PRAISE TO THE LIVING GOD • BLUE HYMNAL PAGE 372 VERSES 1,3, AND 4

PRAYER REQUESTS:

St Stephen's in Guymon and the Province of the Episcopal Church in South Sudan

Birdie, Butch, Cody, Colleen, Craig, Dave, David, David M., Debbie L, Ellen, Emily, Glenda, Heather, Helen, Jean, Jeremy, The Lees Family, Leo, Lisa, Lucile, Maddie, Martha, Noor, Rita, RL, Ryker, Scott, Sherry, Terry; The Verduci Family, and for all first Responders.

Departed loved ones: Ronald Faulkenberry, Jamie Franco's daughter-in-law's father.

